

State of California  
Department of Parks and Recreation

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
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**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
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**PROJECT TITLE:** Install Telephone Feeder Lines at Bodie

**LOCATION:** Bodie State Historic Park - Bodie Bypass Road and Green Street **COUNTY:** Mono

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:**

Replace various feeder lines from the main telephone exchange at the JS Cain House to the Donnelly house, Seiler House, Mendocini House, Cody House, Museum and Schoolhouse at Bodie State Historic Park to replace deteriorated lines and improve phone service. Work will excavate a trench from the JS Cain House panel east on Green Street to Park Street with lateral lines running from Park Street to the various structures. A second trench will be excavated from the JS Cain Panel continuing east on Green Street to Main Street, then south on Main to the Museum and from the intersection point of Main and Green east to the Schoolhouse. Trench system excavation will be approximately 1030' long x 4 feet wide x 2' deep. Feeder lines will be direct burial cable encased in PVC conduit. A trencher and hand tools will be used for the project. Native material will be used, as backfill and surface will be restored to original condition. Staging will take place at the Red Barn and Shop. A DPR-qualified archaeologist will monitor ground-disturbing work in areas of high cultural resource sensitivity. Monitoring will coincide with the implementation of the project and will involve systematic screen testing of material from the trench spoils. Ground disturbing work will be suspended if potentially significant archaeological resources are exposed by project-related activities. Proposed project work shall resume only after a proper archaeological data treatment program has been designed and implemented.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:** California Department of Parks and Recreation

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Sierra District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

☒ Categorical Exemption                      Class: 1, 4                      Section: 15301, 15304

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:**

Project consists minor alteration of an existing public structure, included as "minor utility upgrade" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR § 15300.4; and minor alteration in the condition of land and/or vegetation (minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored) which does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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